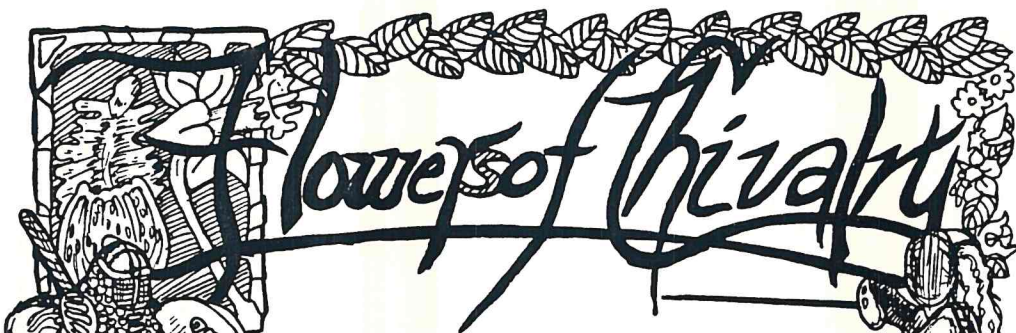




THE DORINDA

Avril

August-15th
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Flowers of Chivalry

FLOWERS OF CHIVALRY Of The Known World

Female Fighters Enthusiasts - Good Gentles - I need your help! I am attempting to make a compilation newsletter for lady fighters and those enthusiastic about us. The newsletter is for any lady who is involved in heavy weapons, combat, fencing or shintai. It is also for ladies whom have been involved in fighting, or wish to be doing so. Others may profit from the information in this newsletter. However, I am not a wellspring of information! I ask you ladies whom the newsletter is for, your teachers, friends, supporters (athletic or otherwise) to write me with information relating to the subject of fighting, chivalry or other things as it related to our fair sex. Sample questions: Why do you do it? What motivates you? What did you find surprisingly easy? anything? What support have you received? What is your favorite fighting story? Is it humorous or frustrating? I have many more. My interest in the individual lady fighter is great. I am searching for our common ground as well as individual experiences. I know most ladies have a problem trying to get some fighters to take their shots - but not all have won best death by falling of a bridge head first as I have.

We lady fighters seem to be few and far between. I hope to shorten the gap with your help. The Flower of Chivalry 1st issue will be out by Pennsic '87. Every issue following will be 3 mos. apart. This allows me enough time to gather information and articles for a suitable sized newsletter.

For all who take my appeal for info and include return postage with their return address - I will give a FREE first issue! I also appeal to the fighting lords and menfolk as well, other viewpoints are always welcome! Subscription rates as of this moment are \$4.50 per year. It may change when I come to my senses. All names of contributors will be published unless otherwise specified.

If you have any other questions, lady fighter info - (including personae!), ideas for guest writers, I am trying to get in touch with Sir Trudi Lacklandia for the 1st issue, etc - please write soon my cut off date for Flower of Chivalry is July 20th. Anything I receive after that - unless outstanding - will be published later.

Please send your much needed & gratefully received replies to:

Lady Cymber of the Dark Water
C/O KC Chase
303 S. Gilpin
Denver, CO 80209



CALENDAR



August 15&16 Three Hawks Champion Tourney -
Hawk's Hollow - see enclosed bit
22 Middle Eastern Workshop & Revel -
Al-Barron (Mistress Beau
Marishka 505-842-8412)

September 4-6 Warlord - Caerthe (Sir Hagen
Silverskull 798-3064)
12&13 Highland Games - (Lady Wyndolyn
355-6598)
19 Harvest Moon Tourney (Duchesse
Selené 597-5259)
26 Caerthan Benefit Revel (Lady
Alaissia 252-0125)

October 3&4 Crown Tournament - Caer Galen -
see enclosed
24 Caer Galen Benefit Raffle/Revel
(Lady Elizabeth)

November 14&15 Viking Vinter Vunderland -
Dragonsspine (Lord Knut 598-0232)
21 Purple Fop Revel - Caerthe (Lady
Morrigan 443-8853)



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Is life particularly confusing lately? Come to the
next shire meeting to find true meaning and joy.
The third monday of every month at Lady Elizabeth's
manor. Bring a delicacy. (Meatloaf isn't period)
Things begin at 7:00 pm sharp. Sometimes.



THE TALE OF THE ETERNAL MARTYR, Part the Third

The Martyr on the Run

by

Lord Alexandre, Occasionally referred to as The Short

(Editor's one and only note: If you haven't read the first two installations of T.O.T.E.M., you're starting SOL and should find a person with earlier issues of the Dorinda. It makes no sense without the beginning. Sometimes I even think, but no...G.D.)

The Mervanites, it may be assumed, chortled with glee as they snuck the Martyr out of Italy. Their primary source of amusement having been rescued from imprisonment, the Mervanites now realized a flaw in their plan. They didn't know what to do with him.

After a hurried debate, they decided to seek out the Abbot of their order, Culus Molarricus¹. Molarricus had last been seen in France as Theocomic advisor to then Duke of Rocquefort, Marcell Mackereau. Thus the Mervanites struck East. (Geography not being of high humor value, most Mervanites paid it little attention.) Needless to say, they soon hit the Mediterranean Sea. Undaunted, they firmly lashed the Martyr to several large trees, formed a raft and set sail.

Meanwhile in Milan, Pablo di Medici rallied a small group of enforced volunteers and rode out after the missing martyr. Incorrectly guessing that the Mervanites would head for a seaport, they rode East. Thus it was that the Martyrship set sail with the crew of thirty-two Mervanites (down from thirty-six; four had died laughing) a scant two minutes ahead of an enraged Pablo di Medici and his force of three hundred conscripts.

Thus began the long chase as the Mervanites fled south along the coast, then back north as they realized where France was, then south again as they had left the Martyr in Gibraltar, then finally north again to France. Always di Medici was close behind, and often the Mervanites delaying tactics of Whoopie Saddles and Disappearing Illumination were the only things that allowed them to escape.

It was just outside of Paris, within three days of their objective that the Mervanites realized they had lost the Martyr. Though there are no historical documents to support this, one can imagine one Mervanite turning to another and speaking, "Brother, hast seen the Martyr recently?", to which the addressed party would respond, "I say thee nay, dost think I am the Martyr's keeper? And besides, methoughts it was thy turn to watch him." After a good chuckle, (Mervanites will chuckle at most anything), they would discover that the Martyr had indeed vanished from the front of the pack train brushing flies off the mule who had no tail to do it for him. A closer inspection revealed that the entire pack train had disappeared. This was no mean feat, as one realizes the pack train consisted of some 150 beasts. It was later determined that, walking backwards to enable him to brush the flies, the Martyr had led the entire train off the edge of a cliff.

By merest chance, the Martyr's right arm was impaled on a tree branch, and thus the entire pack train (which was lashed together) dangled from one branch and the Martyr's arm.

The Mervanites, of course thought it was all a big joke and went off to find Pablo, tell him their tale and have big laugh together. It is this sad miscomprehension of human nature which led to the eventual extermination of the Mervanite Order.

The Martyr dangled for three days and nights, and would probably still had he not been found by an intenerant band of evil cultists, who saw a use for him and cut him down,

Next: The Martyr in Trouble!

¹ Curlius Molarricus, a gentle monk originally named Stepan VonKulnich, took his name from the Latin. Thus, loosely translated, his name means "One who is capable of finding humour at three o' clock in the morning after a mother of twelve has spent the last three hours trying to convince you to do yet another sermon on the subject 'Children Obey Your Parents'".

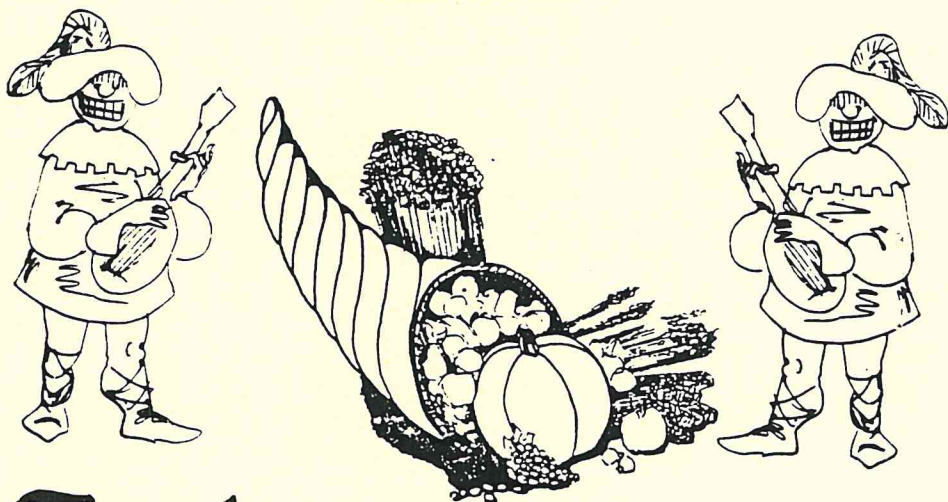


Unto all who read these present letters,
Lord Fionn Creagh and his lady, Monique of the Amber Eyes do send most
courteous
Greetings!!

We hereby invite one and all to attend our wedding ceremony. We realize
this is very short notice, and if you cannot attend, we ask that you be with us
in spirit as we plight our troth on the 19th of September at two o'clock in the
afternoon.

The ceremony is mundane and will be held at Spring Creek Park in Fort
Collins (corner of Matthews St. & Spring Creek Dr.) weather permitting. The
foul weather site is Grace Bible Church, 300 Whedbee in Fort Collins.

Dress is whatever you feel comfortable in. (Just because we will be
uncomfortable is no reason for our friends to be the same.) A reception will
follow the ceremony. If you need directions, please contact Lord Fionn at (303)
482-7376 on the farspeaker or write to Jack Bowers at 113 S. Grant, Ft.
Collins, CO 80521.



Equinox Journey

WHAT: "AUTUMN EQUINOX AND HARVEST FESTIVAL TOURNEY & REVEL
WHO: YEWOOD MANOR - LORD TOD COYLE & LADY CEALLACH TREMEN
WHERE: 528 S. LINCOLN #16, LARAMIE, WY 82070-6360
WHEN: 19 September A.S. XXII. Starting approximately 1:00PM
and ending at closing time.

INFO: No site fee, but those attending are asked to bring a
pot luck dish to feed six. Prizes will be awarded in several
categories to those in attendance. **WET SITE!!**

We are planning several lists, to include florentine, heavy
weapons, weird weapons and period insults.

For further information contact:

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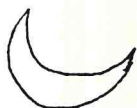
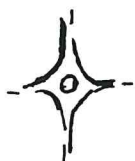


The 1st annual Boulder Renaissance Festival will be held September 19th & 20th at Boulder Central Park-at
* the junction of Canyon and *
Broadway. There will be an SCA
demo with fighting, arts & sciences &
dancing. SCA merchants are welcome
to come and sell their wares.



Lord John of Temple Manor

(303) 751 - 3670



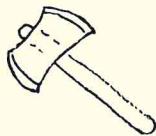


The King called up his advisor and told him of His troubles:

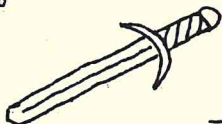
"I have a beast in every direction and one here in our own land. I have only five fighters left in the Kingdom and each is master of only one weapon. My wizard enchanted each weapon to kill a different beast, but only if is carried by a warrior who is master of that weapon and has no fear. Then the wizard died before telling me which was which.

Our Kingdom is under an enchantment so that no one knows the warrior's titles save themselves; but I know they will not help unless correctly addressed. These cryptic messages were found in our wizard's chambers, and they seem to pertain to the mystery:

- 1) Aldrance lives next to the Duke with his brother the Count.
All three believe the mace to be of no use - even on a mount.
- 2) The mace and the pike carry a heck of a blow,
and both in opposite directions must go.
- 3) The Squire is afraid of spears, hydras and the Manticor,
and if he travels west his life will be no more.
- 4) Bruce or the Squire must carry the mace;
it is the only way they can save face.
- 5) Fred, after once being a king
said "I'll never do that again"
and furthermore that I swear
I'll never again travel anywhere!"
- 6) The Ogre may only be killed by a weapon swung
by one hand they say,
while the Manticore is opposite, requiring
a weapon carried two-handed to the fray.
Opposites are they both in weapons to kill
and land to hold; it is their will.
- 7) The Duke never touched a single handed weapon all his life,
Nor Jim, though he tried; they only gave him strife.
- 8) Clyde and the Squire fought a dragon a long time ago,
and said "I'll never do that again; that's too big a foe!"
- 9) The Earl must travel to battle his beast single handed
for he lost his arm in swordplay when a blow landed
and that day he swore an oath in pain
never to fight with swords again.
- 10) The Hydra is in a land far away,
and trolls are not north, the peasants say
- 11) The Earl and his friend Bruce must not travel west
and Bruce must carry an axe or mace to do his best.



*Logic Puzzle country of
Earl Mica.*



Directions to Boulder Valley Community Hall, Saturday Site:

From the North:

Take I-25 south to Colorado 7 exit. Take CO 7 west through Lafayette where it becomes US 287. Follow US 287 first west and then north to Arapahoe which is the first light after 287 is heading north again. Take Arapahoe west to 95th. Turn north on 95th to Isabelle Rd. Site is on north east corner of 95th and Isabelle. Park on Isabelle, not on 95th.

From the South:

Take I-25 north to US 36. Take US 36 west to US 287 (Wadsworth/Broomfield exit). Take US 287 north through Lafayette. Note that you will need to make a left turn at the light by the school in Lafayette to stay on US 287 which jogs west at that point and then continues north. From here, follow the directions from the north. Directions to Carden School, Sunday site:

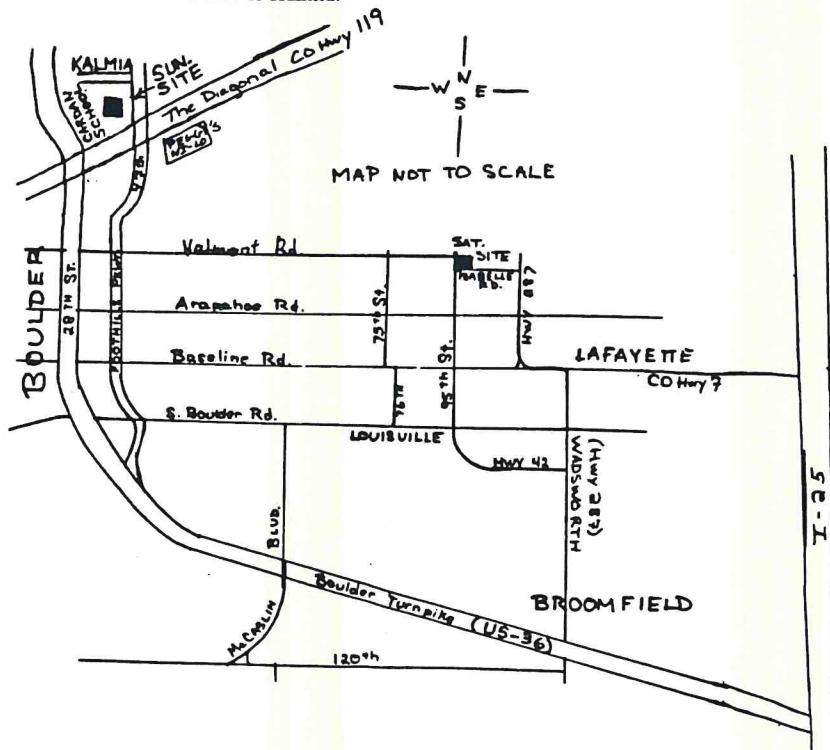
Directions to Carden School, Sunday site:

From the North:

Take I-25 south to CO 52 exit. Take CO 52 west to CO 119, also known as the Longmont Diagonal. Take the Diagonal south west to 47th street. Turn north on 47th street to Kalmia. Turn west on Kalmia. The Carden School is located on the south side of Kalmia.

From the South:

Take I-25 north to US 36. Take US 36 west to the first Boulder exit (Foothills Parkway/Table Mesa exit). Stay to the left and get onto the Foothills Parkway heading north. The Foothills Parkway turns into 47th street just south of the Longmont Diagonal (aka CO 119). That intersection is currently under construction. Continue across the Diagonal on 47th street one block north to Kalmia. Turn west on Kalmia. The Carden School is located on the south side of Kalmia.





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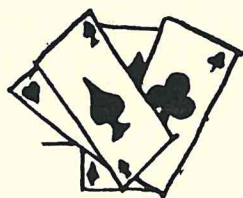
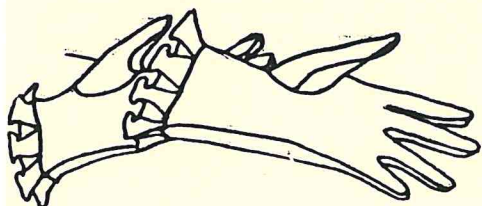
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The stocky Italian Fop (IF-the nameless one from the south, remember?) moved as near the Elizabethan Fop (EF-tall, Duke, 2nd generation SCA, from the Sun) as the massive yardage of his dagged sleeves would allow.

"Plea...ease", the EF sniffed disdainfully, "t'isn't polite to crowd a person at the Gaming Table."

"Indeed", agreed a tall, blond Cavalier Fop (CF-seen a lot in Caer Galen), holding an exceedingly large lace-trimmed kerchief to his nose.

"Perhaps, but not nearly as annoying as yards of lace rearranging everything on the table when you move", sneered the IF.

"Well, I never!", huffed the CF, sweeping several more pieces off the table in his aggravation.

"There, you're doing it again!", snarled the EF, backing into the IF as he stamped his dainty pointed shoe.

"Watch it!!!" squealed the IF, "You're standing on my sleeve!!!"

"Oh!!!", the EF sputtered, as the CF doubled over with laughter.

"I think," said the EF & IF simultaneously, each pointing at the other, "that he's laughing at you, sir!"

"What?!!!" they exclaimed, turning on the CF and beginning to draw their swords...

To find out what happens when an infinite and assorted collection of foppery gathers under one roof (assuming we can find one roof with room enough for all those sleeves, pointed shoes and lace).....

To test your skill at some polite medieval games of chance.....

To mingle, flirt, dance, eat and drink.....

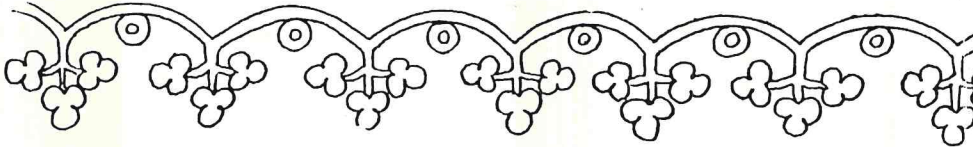
To compete for the singular honour of winning the title: The Purple Fop, you must come to....



THE PURPLE FOP REVEL

Colour Court IX

November 21, AS XXII



3 HAWKS

Watch the fighters hack and slash, see the fencers prove a point, then end the day with a feathery flight at the **Three Hawks Champion Tournament**.

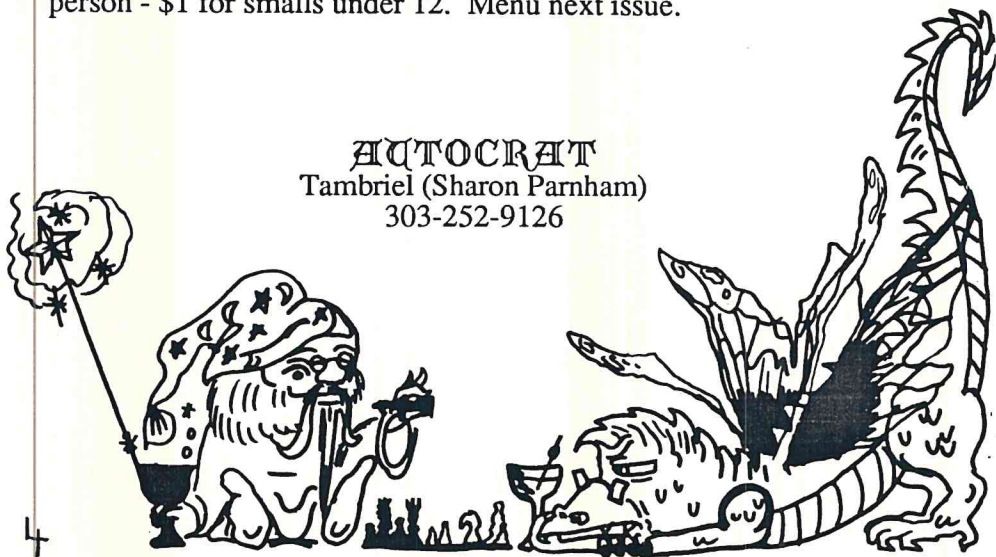
The incipient Canton of Hawk's Hollow invites one and all to join them on August 15 & 16 for their grand event. The site is located on Camp Genesee just half an hour west of Denver on I-70. Site fee is \$2 per person for the weekend. (Yes Virginia, it is a camping event.) The site opens at 6 pm on Friday, and is a descreetly wet site. No dragons or other pets.

On Saturday at 11 am the teams for the weekend will be drawn randomly consisting of one rattan fighter, one fencer and one archer. Each person will compete in their individual event, and their score will be added to their team's overall score. The day's order will be Rattan first, followed by fencing and finally archery. In the evening one person from each team (or more, maybe) will perform in the Bardic. The team with the final overall best score will become the Hawk's Hollow Champions. You need not be a team member to compete for the prizes to be given in each individual competition.

In addition to this madness, there will be an official IKAC round shot, and a throwing board for those interested in Knife Throwing. Merchants are welcome, as are those interested in doing skill demos. Please contact the autocrat to arrange times and places.

There will be a feast at 6:00 pm on Saturday night costing \$3 per person - \$1 for smalls under 12. Menu next issue.

AUTOCRAT
Tambriel (Sharon Parnham)
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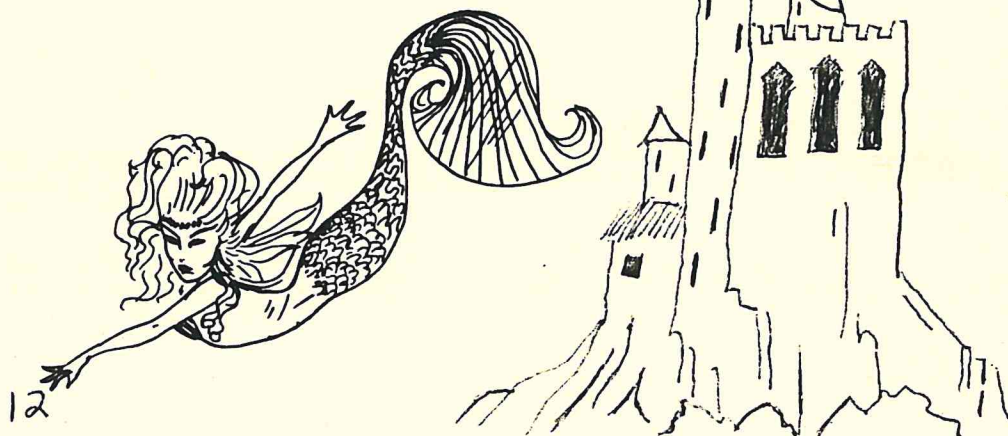
Caerthan Warlord

Due to the fact that the Warlord announcements appear in other newsletters that you all get, the space reserved here for another Warlord announcement was dedicated to the following Public Service Announcement:

De Olde Abbey Pop Machine will be at Warlord Tourney and will bring along it's sister, **De Olde Abbey Kitchen**, which will be serving lunch on Saturday and Sunday. Her Excellency Baroness Katherine will be doing one of her famous strawberry waffle breakfasts on Sunday morning. All profits to the Barony. Lunch will be priced per item and will consist of: Beef Pies/ Chicken Pies / Cheese / Bread / Cookies / Strawberry Shortcake and, if the weather is cool, a hearty stew. Pop and apple juice will be 50¢. Breakfast will be by reservation only (with payment). Reservations will be taken on Saturday at the tourney and will be \$3.00. The breakfast will consist of strawberry waffles with whipped cream, scrambled eggs, sausages and orange juice. We will also bring ice or other food items to the site on Sunday morning by request to the Abbey Kitchen. (We will charge only for the cost of the item, but a small donation to the Barony for the service would be appreciated.

Information:

Lady Ursula 850-7364
Morrigan 443-8853



AWARDS, EVENTS & NOTICES

- 1) Ian of Nightsgate was given an Award of Arms at the Three and a Half Shires to the Wind Oasis event. Yea, Duckie!!
- 2) Lord Ian proudly announces that Thorn has at last consented to marry him. This is the first publishing of the Banns.
- 3) There will be dancing practice on the 2nd and 4th Monday nights of every month. Contact Mistress Dimelza for details.
- 4) Start saving your goodies now for the Caer Galen benefit raffle/revel on October 24. Call Lady Elizabeth for details.
- 5) Crown Tourney October 3&4. Volunteer to help out now - avoid the rush. You too can be part of the Movement.
- 6) LOST!!! 2 masks, 2 pairs of gloves (1 black, 1 white), 1 epee and 1 sabre. Last seen on a feast table at 3 1/2 Shires on Saturday evening. Any info leading to the recapture of said articles would be rewarded by Lady G. and Lord I.'s eternal gratitude.
- 7) We are still missing the Caer Galen banner. Search your closets. We still need loaner costumes and feast gear, too.

Caerthan Benefit Revel

The Caerthan Fortress Benefit Revel will take place on September 26th. The site and time haven't been determined as of yet. Right now, I am soliciting for donations to this annual fund raising event. If you would like to donate items for the Raffle, please call Lady Alaissia at 252-0125. I hope to have all the important information regarding site and fees by next month. Thank you.

This is a (gasp!) blank space.
It is blank because you, the
populace, don't believe in
sending in your art, articles,
or what have you. Write to the
Dorinda! Send me your tired,
your poor, your fledgeling (new)
poetry. (Or old; I'm not picky.) Any
announcements, notices, gossip
etc... would be not only groovy,
but would get ^{you} a free issue as well.
Wotta deal, eh?

Fourth Crown Tournament of the Outlands

The Shire of Caer Galen will host the fourth Crown Tournament of the Kingdom of the Outlands on the weekend of October 3rd and 4th. The Crown Lists will be held on Saturday, October 3rd at the Boulder Valley Community Hall east of Boulder followed by a Harvest Feast and Revel. On Sunday, October 4th, Peers Circles, a Kingdom Officers Meeting and a Caer Galen Defender Tournament will be held at Carden School on the North edge of Boulder. Map and directions follow.

Feast Autocrat will be the Illustrious (ill-famed) Lady Morgwen ni Lochsolas. Tournament Autocrat will be Lord Alexandre d'Avigné the Iconoclastic. Event autocrats will be Mistress Demelza Félinnoir the Infamous and the Irreputable yet Honourable Lady Elizabeth Freemountain.

Tentative Schedules

Saturday, October 3rd

9:00 am	Site Opens
10:00 am	Opening Court
11:00 am	Armour Inspection and Lists
4:00 pm	Feast Hall Opens for Setup
5:00 pm	Evening Court
6:00 pm	Feast Begins, followed by Revel
10:30 pm	Cleanup Begins
11:30 pm	Hall Closes - Everybody Out

Sunday, October 4th

8:00 am	Peers Circles Begin
11:00 am	Caer Galen Defender

No alcohol is allowed at either site. Site Fee for the weekend is \$ 4.00. Feast Reservations are limited to 100. This is an absolute limit due to the size of the Hall. Only paid reservations will be accepted. Feast Reservations received by midnight on September fourth will cost \$ 7.00 for members, \$ 9.00 for non-members. Those received by midnight on September 18th will cost \$ 9.00 for members, \$ 11.00 for non-members. Children twelve and under will be half price. No reservations will be accepted after midnight on September 18th. No reservations will be accepted over the phone.

Site and Feast Reservations:

Mistress Marisela de Broyde
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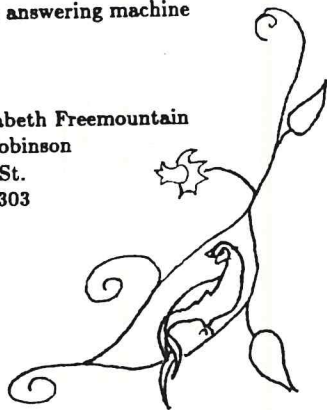
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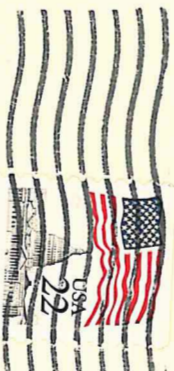
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